



COMMISSION'S STATEMENT OF ACCREDITED STATUS

**Claremont School of Theology
1325 North College Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711-3199**

Claremont School of Theology has been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation (COA) of The Association of Theological Schools since 1944. The school's accreditation was last reaffirmed in summer 2014, based on an institutional self study report and an onsite evaluation visit by a committee of peer and public reviewers. The school's current period of accreditation expires July 31, 2023.

The school's current status of *Accredited in Good Standing* means the school meets all applicable COA Standards of Accreditation. The school demonstrates educational quality and financial stability and provides evidence that its student learning outcomes are appropriate, rigorous, and being achieved. The school has no public sanctions (notation/warning, probation, or show cause).

The school is approved to offer the following degree(s): MDiv, MA (Religion), MTS, DMin, Doctor of Professional Counseling, PhD (Practical Theology), PhD (Religion)

The Board has granted approval for the school to offer distance (online) education at the following level: Comprehensive (Half or More of a Degree)

The school is approved for the following additional location(s) offering half or more of a degree:

Salem, OR

Tainan, Taiwan

In June 2018, the Board of Commissioners approved a two-year educational experiment allowing the school to offer three semesters of its four semesters of coursework in a Contextual Theology specialization in its PhD (Religion) degree program at Chang Jung Christian University in Tainan, Taiwan. The experiment will begin in fall 2021 (instead of spring 2020, due to the COVID-19 public health crisis) and conclude with a final report in spring 2022, at which time the school may request this experiment to be considered an ongoing exception to the Commission's doctoral residency requirements (pre-2020 Standard J, section J.3.1.1).

The Commission on Accrediting (COA) of The Association of Theological Schools accredits more than 250 graduate schools of theology and seminaries in the United States and Canada. The COA has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education since 1952 as an accreditor of freestanding, single-purpose institutions and of specialized programs at larger institutions offering post-baccalaureate degrees in professional and academic theological education. The COA is also recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as a national faith-related accrediting organization that accredits free-standing seminaries and academic units of larger institutions in the United States and Canada that offer post-baccalaureate degrees in professional and academic theological education.